

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice to Water Users
(Pursuant to Section 85-2-407 or 85-2-436, MCA)
The following application has been submitted to renew a temporary authorization for change.

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Application Number : 41F 30069850

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Applicant : SUN RANCH PARTNERS LLC

LEGISLATIVE ENVIRONMENTAL
POLICY OFFICE

<u>Water Right Type</u>	<u>WATER RIGHT NUMBER(S) BEING CHANGED</u>	<u>Priority Date</u>
STATEMENT OF CLAIM	41F-126737	AUGUST 5, 1891
STATEMENT OF CLAIM	41F-126738	JULY 1, 1886
STATEMENT OF CLAIM	41F-126739	NOVEMBER 11, 1887
STATEMENT OF CLAIM	41F-126742	MAY 4, 1892
STATEMENT OF CLAIM	41F-126762	JUNE 30, 1886
STATEMENT OF CLAIM	41F-126763	JULY 1, 1886
STATEMENT OF CLAIM	41F-126764	JUNE 30, 1886

PAST USE OF WATER

WATER WAS DIVERTED FROM SQUAW CREEK, A.K.A. SUN CREEK, AT POINTS IN THE SWSWNE OF SECTION 25 AND THE NESESE OF SECTION 34, T10S, R1E, MADISON COUNTY. DIVERSION OCCURRED FROM MAY 1 TO SEPTEMBER 1 AND MAY 1 TO SEPTEMBER 30 AT A RATE OF 97.72 CFS. WATER WAS USED FOR STOCKWATER AND IRRIGATION. GENERALLY, IRRIGATION OCCURRED ON 197 ACRES IN SECTION 3, T11S, R1E, MADISON COUNTY; 40 ACRES IN SECTION 14, 40 ACRES IN SECTION 15, 23 ACRES IN SECTION 22, 363 ACRES IN SECTION 23, AND 175 ACRES IN SECTION 24, ALL T10S, R1E, MADISON COUNTY. STOCK USE OCCURRED ON SECTIONS 14, 15, 23, 24, AND 25, T10S, R1E, MADISON COUNTY.

PROPOSED CHANGE

THIS APPLICATION IS TO RENEW A TEMPORARY CHANGE. THE TEMPORARY CHANGE WAS ORIGINALLY ISSUED ON 8/20/2001 FOR A PERIOD OF TEN YEARS AND AUTHORIZED A CHANGE OF WATER RIGHTS 41F 126737-00, 41F 126738-00, 41F 126739-00, 41F 126742-00, 41F 126762-00, 41F 126763-00, 41F 126764-00. THE TEMPORARY CHANGE WAS RENEWED ON 3/26/2013 FOR A PERIOD OF ONE YEAR. A CHANGE IN PLACE OF USE, POINT OF DIVERSION, AND PURPOSE OF USE OF THE ABOVE WATER RIGHTS WAS AUTHORIZED FOR MAINTAINING AND ENHANCING STREAMFLOWS FOR FISHERIES IN SQUAW CREEK, A.K.A., SUN CREEK. THE LONGEST PERIOD OF MAINTAINING AND ENHANCING IS FROM MARCH 1 TO NOVEMBER 30; OTHER RIGHTS VARY WITHIN THAT TIME FRAME. THE CHANGED PLACE OF USE WILL BE FROM THE OLD POINTS OF DIVERSION, LOCATED IN THE SWSWNE OF SECTION 25 AND THE NESESE OF SECTION 34, T10S, R01E, MADISON COUNTY, TO THE CONFLUENCE OF THE MADISON RIVER LOCATED IN THE SWSWSE OF SECTION 33, T10S, R01E, MADISON COUNTY. THE FLOW RATE WILL BE 81.46 CFS FROM THE SWSWNE OF SECTION 25 AND 16.26 CFS FROM THE NESESE OF SECTION 24, T10S, R01E, MADISON COUNTY. THE REQUESTED RENEWAL PERIOD IS FOR AN ADDITIONAL TEN YEARS.

NEW EVIDENCE OF ADVERSE EFFECT TO OTHER WATER RIGHTS MUST BE SUBMITTED IN WRITING BY **DECEMBER 31, 2014**. MAIL THE EVIDENCE TO THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION, PO BOX 201601, HELENA, MT 59620-1601. ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS APPLICATION SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO THE WATER RESOURCES REGIONAL OFFICE, 2273 BOOT HILL COURT, SUITE 110, BOZEMAN, MT 59715-7249 PHONE: 406-586-3136 FAX: 406-587-9726

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